1: Gillin E-5 (1932-33)1936 SR9 Carib SR9

LANGUAGE[1]

194 In the transliteration of Carib words, unless otherwise noted, vowels are given Italian values and consonants their ordinary English values. In recording, a system of diacritical signs was used to indicate stress and tone, but these are withheld for the present until they can be tested by a properly trained linguist.

VERBS

193 The verbs collected can be classified into four groups on the basis of conjugation.

First Group

to hear

au	moro	seitai	.. I hear it
(I	it	hear)	
amoro	moro	meitai	.. you hear it
moko	"	neitai	.. he hears it
nana	"	neitai	.. we hear it
amonyaro	"	metatong	.. you all hear it
mokarung	"	netatong	.. they hear it

to eat

au	senapui	.. I eat
amoro	enapui	.. you eat
moko	enapui	.. he eats
nana	menapui	.. we eat
amonyaro	menatong	.. you all eat
mokarung	nenatong	.. they eat

to come

au	pui	.. I come
amoro	mopui	.. you come
moko	nopui	.. he comes
nana	nopui	.. we come
amonyaro	motong	.. you all come
mokarung	notong	.. they come

[1] The linguistic material herewith presented was collected incidentally to the main body of the work. The author is not a trained linguist from the standpoint either of the field or of the library, and sets forth this somewhat scanty collection in the hope that it may be of use to specialists. He feels that any attempt on his part at the present time to compare or analyse the language of the Barama Caribs might confuse rather than illuminate the truth.